

BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20 YEARS AGO

(Taken from the Files of The Evening Farmer)

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

CHARACTERISTICS OF NAPOLEON

A Plymouth paper received September 1, speaking of Bonaparte, says:

His curiosity on every point is unbounded, and versatility of talents and powers of conversation, on all subjects, whether trifling or important, is astonishing. Such, indeed, is his appetite for information that he often freely addresses the seamen and marines. It is impossible, we have learned from good authority, to imagine the fascinations of Bonaparte's address and conversation, which compel involuntary attention and attachment, and bewitch even those, most inimical to him in their hearts, of all hostile feelings while they remain in his presence.

When he is walking alone, his hands are folded behind him, and his countenance assumes a pensive cast; but when engaged in discourse his face exhibits a smile of the most engaging description, like a gleam of sunshine on a dark cloud, and his gestures are earnest and expressive.

At his meals, Bonaparte exercises what is called in England, which consists of knife and fork, and rarely speaks. In the use of liquors he is more abstemious. In a thorough acquaintance with men and manners he is surpassed by few, and particularly by will appear remarkable in his knowledge of England, and the principal characters in it who have signalized themselves by their abilities, in various departments.

His marshals are almost continually on deck in full uniform, in converse with their master, or the ladies and children—Madame Bertrand has been peculiarly interesting, concerning his destination, and frequently hints that the Emperor Napoleon is poor, having only a million of francs, or 400,000, to boast of, while Talleyrand, formerly his minister, possesses immense wealth in all the funds of different countries.

The Duke of Angoulême, who has arrived at Montauban, ordered the arrest of the Prefect of Tarn, as well as his private secretary, and the secretary-general of the Prefecture. It is understood that Jerome Bonaparte, of whom nothing has been heard lately, lies ill of his wounds in the fortress of Valandenes.

A private letter from Turin confirms the arrest of Lucien Bonaparte in that city.

Government, it is said, has received accounts this morning, that peace is signed between the Allies and France.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

BUTTER \$1 A POUND.

There is much complaint among housekeepers of the rapid advance of the price of butter within the last few days. A good article retails at 55 and 60 cents per pound, and some of the grocers' prophecy that in a month more, butter will be worth ONE DOLLAR A POUND. The way to serve these extortionists, for they are nothing else, is to adopt some such course as did certain Boston people recently. The Post, of that city, says that some 20 housekeepers at the South End, after comparing market accounts, came to the determination to dispense with the use of butter, with the exception of one pound a week for each family, until it can be purchased for 50 cents a pound. If such a movement was generally adopted, it would insure a reduced price of butter.

"KICKING UP, BEHIND AND BEFORE."

Four frolicsome negro maidens out for a "lark," created quite a sensation on Main street last evening about 8 o'clock. Talking very loudly they stopped in front of a colored frother's shop, kicked at the door roughly, then ran rapidly down the street. This performance they repeated several times, when the "high daddy" of the Colored Loyal League who was in waiting, sallied forth. One of them ails, overpowered with fun or maybe something stronger, slipped and fell. Hoops disordered flew about and for a few minutes there was a vigorous application of muscle, well laid upon the screaming maiden. Some 75 or 80 amused spectators witnessed the dark deed by moonlight.

THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

May be successfully laid. We hope it will be but it cannot be the means of furnishing the people of Bridgeport with more nutritious bread, richer and superior cake, more palatable tea, or a choicer assortment of crackers, than can be found at Near's, 217 Main street.

Nobody Hurt!

Still Among the Living is DAVIDSON at No. 13 Wall street. He has just returned from New York with a new stock of the latest styles of hair work, curls and wigs for the new style of Grecian braids. Go and see A. DAVIDSON.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

BURGLARS IN STRATFORD.

Some time last night burglars entered the fancy goods store of Selma Brooks on Main street, Stratford, and stole silverware, perfume and other articles to the value of about \$100. They succeeded in entering the store by prying open a rear door with a jimmy which they left behind them. Sheriff Stage now has the jimmy in his possession and is looking for the burglars.

THEY WANT LICENSE.

Hartford, October 6, 1895—One hundred and thirty-two out of 164 towns that voted yesterday show: Republicans, 85; Democrats, 23; divided, 24. Last year the vote was Republican, 86; Democrats, 24; divided, 21. Prohibition, 1. The Republicans made large gains in 1894.

On the license vote 54 towns voted license and 78 no-license. Last year 57 voted for license and 81 no-license. In Hartford Republicans elect a town clerk, but the Democrats have a majority of the selectmen.

Notable examples in this part of the state are Putnam and Manchester. In Putnam the no-license year has been marked by a vigorous prosecution of illegal liquor sellers and a vigorous crusade by the Law and Order League. An attempt has also been made by lectures to stir up the Prohibition element. In spite of it all the town this year flops over and votes

FAIRFIELD COUNTY S. S. ASSOCIATION TO CONVENE HERE

First Presbyterian Church To Be Scene of Annual Gathering of Delegates.

The annual convention of the Fairfield County Sunday School association will be held Monday, Oct. 11, in the Sunday school room of the First Presbyterian church, State street and Myrtle avenue. The women of the church have consented to serve a supper to the delegates and visitors. Rev. John R. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist church, will speak on the subject, "Does the Teacher Lose His Spirituality?" and by Rev. J. MacLaren Richardson of the First Presbyterian church, "The Future Growth of the Sunday School."

Following is the program:

Morning Session.

President Elliott W. Peck, presiding.

10:00—Devotions. Rev. John P. Wagner, Bridgeport.

10:20—Appointment of Committees.

10:30—Address: "Co-operation Between Parents and Teachers." Mrs. Lucy Stock Chapin, Hartford.

11:00—Address: "Reaching Children in Rural Districts." Mrs. Cora Downs Stevens, Canaan.

11:30—Address: "Outside the Four Walls of the Sunday School." Willard B. Wilson, Providence.

Afternoon Session.

2:00—Devotion. Rev. A. E. Beebe, Bridgeport.

2:15—Reports: (1) Elementary Superintendent, (2) Secretary, (3) Treasurer, (4) President, (5) Nominating Committee.

2:45—Address: "Preparation for Service." Dr. John B. Brown, Bridgeport.

3:15—Address: "Sunday School Evangelism." Wallace I. Woodin, Hartford.

3:45—Address: "Conservation of Sunday School Efforts." Rev. A. E. Beebe, Bridgeport.

4:15—Adjourn to Departmental Conferences: 1 Elementary, Mrs. Chapin; 2 Secondary, Mrs. Stevens; 3 Adult, Mr. Wilson; 4 Teacher Training, Mr. Woodin.

6:00—Supper.

Evening Session.

7:30—Devotions, W. E. Wells, Bridgeport.

7:45—Address: "Missions in the Sunday School." Mr. Wilson.

8:15—"The Romance of the English Bible." Mr. Woodin.

Red Cross units are being formed in Greece.

JUST ARRIVED.

FRENCH AND DUTCH BULBS

JOHN RECK & SON

(Highest Award, Panama-Pacific Exposition, San Francisco.)

ONLY A FEW MORE NEW HOOSIER BEAUTIES

MEN READ THIS

If you don't do anything else tomorrow, have your wife bring you down to see these new Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets before they are all gone.

Hoosier Beauty is the National Step Saver—the finest and most complete kitchen cabinet ever built—now improved in a dozen ways.

The women who purchased Hoosier Beauties this week have in their homes a labor-saving machine of which they will be as proud in twenty years as they are today—a price so low that any woman, no matter what her income, can afford it.

Are YOU Like This Man?

Night after night he had gone home and found his wife tired, cross—worn out—yet, after supper while he read the paper, she was in the kitchen toiling over the dishes. He decided he wasn't fair. A dollar was pretty small to stack against his wife's health and the happiness of his home.

"Here's My Dollar"

he said: "Send out one of them Hoosier Cabinets everybody's buying this week." We did, and now he and his wife both are happy.

Now men! How about your wife: Is she getting a fair deal from you? And women, are you fair to your family when you make a drudge out of yourself instead of a good wife, mother and companion?

No woman has a right to drudge along with old-fashioned out-of-date equipment when the remarkable convenience of a Hoosier Cabinet is now brought to her at a price within the reach of any income.

We have had a wonderful sale this week.

—These new Hoosiers have been the talk of the town. The sale may close tomorrow. It ends when this small lot is gone. While they last, a single dollar puts any Hoosier in

At \$9 Less Than Standard Prices

THE NEW HOOSIER WONDER

This Cabinet has pure aluminum table; big roomy white enamel cupboard uncluttered with cubby holes or partitions. It is by long odds the lowest priced high-grade kitchen cabinet ever sold.

THE NEW HOOSIER SPECIAL

We only have one or two of these left. This cabinet is midway between the Hoosier Wonder and the Hoosier Beauty in convenience, and is equal to the Hoosier Beauty in size.

Every one of these cabinets will be sold, while they last, this week at introductory prices, far below the standard prices of kitchen cabinets in their class.

This may be our last announcement. Come early tomorrow and pick your choice before it is too late.

1149
MAIN STREET

Hotthnagle's

THE DANCANT OPENS AT ATLANTIC HOTEL

The opening of the The Dancant at the Atlantic Hotel yesterday afternoon attracted a number of people who are interested in the art of dancing. Milce, Fleurette and M. Francoise, late of the Vernon Castle Dancing Academy, demonstrate the latest fancy dances and teach any of the patrons each afternoon from 1 until 6 o'clock in the dining room of the hotel. It is expected that the popularity of The Dancant will increase daily as there is no other similar venture of its kind in the city.

A quarterly dividend of 3 per cent. on the common stock was declared by the Kelly-Springfield Tire Company.

DIAMONDS

Years of experience in buying and selling diamonds have made up expert judges of values and hundreds of pleased customers will gladly testify to our honesty and fairness.

SILVERWARE

Our line of silverware is distinguished for its wearing qualities and artistic merit, and is guaranteed for years of service. The price is within the range of every buyer.

M. J. BUECHLER

THE RELIABLE JEWELER
48 FAIRFIELD AVENUE
NEAR MIDDLE STREET

Annual Meeting of Missionary Society To Be Held Here

The annual meeting of the New York district, New York East conference of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, will be held at the First Methodist Episcopal church of this city Thursday. There will be several addresses and a number of reports of various secretaries and committees of the society. During the afternoon session, Miss Esther Berg, soprano, will contribute several solos. The district officers include: President, Miss Caroline Ridgely, New Rochelle; first vice president, Mrs. William Pomeroy, Stamford; second vice president, Mrs. George F. Bertine, New Canaan; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Nicholas Le Page, Mount Vernon; recording secretary, Mrs. Samuel W. Bertine, Mount Vernon; treasurer, Mrs. Jesse E. Holdredge, Mount Vernon. Department Secretaries: Young People's work, Miss Ida M. Davenport, Stamford; mite boxes, Miss S. Adelaide Jones, Mount Vernon; temperance, Mrs. William F. Evans, Mount Vernon; literature, Mrs. Joseph Stevens, Mount Vernon; reading circles, Mrs. Charles C. Roberts, Mount Vernon; nominating committee, Mrs. William J. Cunningham, Bridgeport. First church: President, Mrs. C. W. Strang; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Frank Plumb, Bridgeport. Washington Park: President, Mrs. W. B. Gilbert; corresponding secretary, Mrs. G. E. D. Canfield.

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